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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **DESGROSEILLERS et al.** Our file: **10875.77**  
Serial No.: **09/316,048** Group Art Unit: **1632**  
Filed: **May 21, 1999** Examiner: **LEE, G**  
Title: **MAMMALIAN STAUFEN AND USE THEREOF**

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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR  
RESTRICTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
U.S.A.

Sir:

Enclosed is a response to the Office Action mailed July 21, 2000, a response to which is due on December 21, 2000, with a four (4) month extension of time. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a petition for extension of time for four months.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-18 are pending herein.

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- Group I: Claims 1-3, and 13-18; drawn to a polypeptide or recombinant protein classified in class 530, subclass 350+;
- Group II: Claims 4-8; drawn to a polynucleotide sequence, recombinant vector, host and method of making the protein classified in class 536, subclass